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HOUSE BILL NO. 978

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BY REPRESENTATIVE NOWLIN

DENTISTRY/DENTISTS: Provides relative to the employment of persons licensed by the La. State Board of Dentistry by nonprofit entities eligible for certain federal grants

AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 37:797, relative to the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry; to provide for the 3 employment of dentists by certain nonprofit entities; and to provide for related 4 matters. 5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 6 Section 1. R.S. 37:797 is hereby enacted to read as follows: 7 §797. Employment or contracting with certain nonprofit entities 8 No provision in this Chapter shall be construed to prohibit any person 9 licensed under the provisions of this Chapter from being an employee or independent 10 contractor of a nonprofit entity eligible to receive grants under Section 330 of the 11 Public Health Services Act (42 U.S.C. §245b) or its successor. 12 Section 2. The provisions of this Act are procedural and not substantive and are 13 enacted to clarify the provisions of Chapter 9 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes 14 of 1950. This Act is declared to be interpretive, remedial, curative, and procedural and, 15 therefore, should be applied retroactively as well as prospectively. 16 Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not 17 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature 18 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If 19 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become 20 effective on the day following such approval.

CODING: Words in struck through type are deletions from existing law; words <u>underscored</u> are additions.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Clarifies provisions of Chapter 9 of Title 37 of the L.R.S. of 1950 relative to the practice of dentistry.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that no provision in <u>present law</u> shall be construed to prohibit any person licensed as a dentist from being an employee or independent contractor of a nonprofit entity eligible to receive grants under Section 330 of the Public Health Services Act (42 U.S.C. §245b) or its successor.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 37:797)